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### AMENDMENT

#### In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C<sub>1</sub> --This application is a divisional of U.S. Application Serial Number 08/485,355, filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 6,177,075, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial Number 08/440,522, filed May 12, 1995, abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial Number 08/089,372, filed July 8, 1993, abandoned.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page <sup>227</sup>~~277~~, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

C<sub>2</sub> --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--

#### In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

C<sub>3</sub> 17. An isolated nucleic acid molecule as claimed in claim 15 in which the insect small RNA virus is Helicoverpa armigera stunt virus (HaSV).

C<sub>4</sub> 18. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule as claimed in claim 15 in which the capsid protein is HaSV P71 (SEQ ID NO: 50).

C<sub>5</sub> 21. An isolated nucleic acid molecule as claimed in claim 15 in which the second sequence is an antisense sequence or a ribozyme.